## MODULAR LATTICE FOR $C_o$ -OPERATORS.

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ABSTRACT. We study modularity of the lattice  $\mathtt{Lat}(T)$  of closed invariant subspaces for a  $C_0$ -operator T and find a condition such that  $\mathtt{Lat}(T)$  is a modular. Furthermore, we provide a quasiaffinity preserving modularity.

#### Introduction

A partially ordered set is said to be a *lattice* if any two elements  $\mathbf{M}$  and  $\mathbf{N}$  of it have a least upper bound or supremum denoted by  $\mathbf{M} \vee \mathbf{N}$  and a greatest lower bound or infimum denoted by  $\mathbf{M} \cap \mathbf{N}$ . For a Hilbert space H, L(H) denotes the set of all bounded linear operators from H into H. For an operator T in L(H), the set  $\mathsf{Lat}(T)$  of all closed invariant subspaces for T is a lattice. For  $\mathbf{L}$ ,  $\mathbf{M}$ , and  $\mathbf{N}$  in  $\mathsf{Lat}(T)$  such that  $\mathbf{N} \subset \mathbf{L}$ , if following identity is satisfied:

$$L \cap (M \vee N) = (L \cap M) \vee N,$$

then Lat(T) is called *modular*. We study Lat(T) where T is a  $C_0$ -operator which were first studied in detail by B.Sz.-Nagy and C. Foias [4]. In this paper **D** denotes the open unit disk in the complex plane.

This paper is organized as follows. Section 1 contains preliminaries about operators of class  $C_0$  and the Jordan model of  $C_0$ -operators.

For operators  $T_1 \in L(H_1)$  and  $T_2 \in L(H_2)$ , if  $X \in \{A \in L(H) : AT_1 = T_2A\}$ , then we define a function  $X_* : \text{Lat}(T_1) \to \text{Lat}(T_2)$  as following:

$$X_*(M) = (XM)^-.$$

In Theorem 2.14, we provide a quasiaffinity Y such that  $Y_*$  preserves modularity. Furthermore, in section 2, we provide a definition and prove some fundamental results of *property* (P) which was introduced by H. Bercovici [2].

In Theorem 3.5, we prove that if  $T \in L(H)$  is an operator of class  $C_0$  with property (P), then Lat(T) is a modular lattice.

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### 1. $C_0$ -Operators Relative to D

1.1. A Functional Calculus. It is well-known that for every linear operator A on a finite dimensional vector space V over the field F, there is a minimal polynomial for A which is the (unique) monic generator of the ideal of polynomials over F which annihilate A. If the dimension of F is not finite, then generally there is no such a polynomial. However, to provide a function similar to a minimal polynomial, B. Sz.-Nagy and C. Foias focused on a contraction  $T \in L(H)$  which is called to be completely nonunitary, i.e. there is no invariant subspace M for T such that the restriction T|M of T to the space M is a unitary operator.

Let H be a subspace of a Hilbert space K and  $P_H$  be the orthogonal projection from K onto H. We recall that if  $A \in L(K)$ , and  $T \in L(H)$ , then A is said to be a dilation of T provided that for n = 1, 2, ...,

$$(1.1) T^n = P_H A^n | H.$$

If A is an isometry (unitary operator) then A will be called an *isometric* (unitary) dilation of T. An isometric (unitary) dilation A of T is said to be minimal if no restriction of A to an invariant subspace is an isometric (unitary) dilation of T. B. Sz.-Nagy proved the following interesting result:

**Proposition 1.1.** [4] Every contraction has a unitary dilation.

Let  $T \in L(H)$  be a completely nonunitary contraction with minimal unitary dilation  $U \in L(K)$ . For every polynomial  $p(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{n} a_j z^j$  we have

$$p(T) = P_H p(U)|H,$$

and so this formula suggests that the functional calculus  $p \to p(T)$  might be extended to more general functions p. Since the mapping  $p \to p(T)$  is a homomorphism from the algebra of polynomials to the algebra of operators, we will extend it to a mapping which is also a homomorphism from an algebra to the algebra of operators. By Spectral Theorem, since  $U \in L(H)$  is a normal operator, there is a unique spectral measure E on the Borel subsets of the spectrum of U denoted as usual by  $\sigma(U)$  such that

(1.3) 
$$U = \int_{\sigma(U)} z dE(z).$$

Since the spectral measure E of U is absolutely continuous with respect to Lebesgue measure on  $\partial \mathbf{D}$ , for  $g \in L^{\infty}(\sigma(U), E)$ , g(U) can be defined as follows:

(1.4) 
$$g(U) = \int_{\sigma(U)} g(z)dE(z).$$

It is clear that if g is a polynomial, then this definition agrees with the preceding one. Since the spectral measure of U is absolutely continuous with respect to Lebesgue measure on  $\partial \mathbf{D}$ , the expression g(U) makes sense for every  $g \in L^{\infty} = L^{\infty}(\partial \mathbf{D})$ . We generalize formula (1.2), and so for  $g \in L^{\infty}$ , define g(T) by

$$(1.5) g(T) = P_H g(U)|H.$$

While the mapping  $g \to g(T)$  is obviously linear, it is not generally multiplicative, i.e. it is not a homomorphism. Evidently it is convenient to find a subalgebra in  $L^{\infty}$  on which the functional calculus is multiplicative. Recall that  $H^{\infty}$  is the Banach

space of all (complex-valued) bounded analytic functions on the open unit disk **D** with supremum norm [4]. It turns out that  $H^{\infty}$  is the unique maximal algebra making the map a homomorphism between algebras. We know that  $H^{\infty}$  can be regarded as a subalgebra of  $L^{\infty}(\partial \mathbf{D})$  [1].

We note that the functional calculus with  $H^{\infty}$  functions can be defined in terms of independent of the minimal unitary dilation. Indeed, if  $u(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  is in  $H^{\infty}$ , then

(1.6) 
$$u(T) = \lim_{r \to 1} u(rT) = \lim_{r \to 1} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n r^n T^n,$$

where the limit exists in the strong operator topology.

B. Sz.-Nagy and C. Foias introduced this important functional calculus for completely nonunitary contractions.

**Proposition 1.2.** Let  $T \in L(H)$  be a completely nonunitary contraction. Then there is a unique algebra representation  $\Phi_T$  from  $H^{\infty}$  into L(H) such that:

- (i)  $\Phi_T(1) = I_H$ , where  $I_H \in L(H)$  is the identity operator;
- (ii)  $\Phi_T(g) = T$ , if g(z) = z for all  $z \in \mathbf{D}$ ;
- (iii)  $\Phi_T$  is continuous when  $H^{\infty}$  and L(H) are given the weak\*-topology.
- (iv)  $\Phi_T$  is contractive, i.e.  $\|\Phi_T(u)\| \leq \|u\|$  for all  $u \in H^{\infty}$ .

We simply denote by u(T) the operator  $\Phi_T(u)$ .

B.Sz.- Nagy and C. Foias [4] defined the *class*  $C_0$  relative to the open unit disk **D** consisting of completely nonunitary contractions T on H such that the kernel of  $\Phi_T$  is not trivial. If  $T \in L(H)$  is an operator of class  $C_0$ , then

$$\ker \Phi_T = \{ u \in H^\infty : u(T) = 0 \}$$

is a weak\*-closed ideal of  $H^{\infty}$ , and hence there is an inner function generating ker  $\Phi_T$ . The minimal function  $m_T$  of an operator of class  $C_0$  is the generator of ker  $\Phi_T$ , and it seems as a substitute for the minimal polynomial. Also,  $m_T$  is uniquely determined up to a constant scalar factor of absolute value one [1]. The theory of class  $C_0$  relative to the open unit disk has been developed by B.Sz.- Nagy, C. Foias ([4]) and H. Bercovici ([1]).

1.2. **Jordan Operator.** We know that every  $n \times n$  matrix over an algebraically closed field F is similar to a unique Jordan canonical form. To extend that theory to the  $C_0$  operator  $T \in L(H)$ , B.Sz.- Nagy and C. Foias [4] introduced a weaker notion of equivalence. They defined a *quasiaffine transform* of T which is bounded operator T' defined on a Hilbert space H' such that there exists an injective operator  $X \in L(H, H')$  with dense range in H' satisfying T'X = XT. We write

$$T \prec T'$$

if T is a quasiaffine transform of T'. Instead of similarity, they introduced quasisimilarity of two operators, namely, T and T' are quasisimilar, denoted by

$$T \sim T'$$

if  $T \prec T'$  and  $T' \prec T$ .

Given an inner function  $\theta \in H^{\infty}$ , the *Jordan block*  $S(\theta)$  is the operator acting on  $H(\theta) = H^2 \ominus \theta H^2$ , which means the orthogonal complement of  $\theta H^2$  in the Hardy space  $H^2$ , as follows:

(1.7) 
$$S(\theta) = P_{H(\theta)}S|H(\theta)$$

where  $S \in L(H^2)$  is the unilateral shift operator defined by

$$(Sf)(z) = zf(z)$$

and  $P_{H(\theta)} \in L(H^2)$  denotes the orthogonal projection of  $H^2$  onto  $H(\theta)$ .

**Proposition 1.3.** [1] For every inner function  $\theta$  in  $H^{\infty}$ , the operator  $S(\theta)$  is of class  $C_0$  and its minimal function is  $\theta$ .

Let  $\theta$  and  $\theta'$  be two inner functions in  $H^{\infty}$ . We say that  $\theta$  divides  $\theta'$  (or  $\theta|\theta'$ ) if  $\theta'$  can be written as  $\theta' = \theta \cdot \phi$  for some  $\phi \in H^{\infty}$ . It is clear that  $\phi \in H^{\infty}$  is also inner. We will use the notation  $\theta \equiv \theta'$  if  $\theta|\theta'$  and  $\theta'|\theta$ .

**Proposition 1.4.** [1] Let  $T_1 \in L(H)$  and  $T_2 \in L(H)$  be two completely nonunitary contactions of class  $C_0$ . If  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are quasisimilar, then  $m_{T_1} \equiv m_{T_2}$ .

From Proposition 1.3 and Proposition 1.4, we can easily see that for every inner functions  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  in  $H^{\infty}$ , if  $S(\theta_1)$  and  $S(\theta_2)$  are quasisimilar, then  $\theta_1 \equiv \theta_2$ . Conversely,

**Proposition 1.5.** [1] Let  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  be inner functions in  $H^{\infty}$ . If  $\theta_1 \equiv \theta_2$ , then  $S(\theta_1)$  and  $S(\theta_2)$  are quasisimilar.

Let  $\gamma$  be a cardinal number and

$$\Theta = \{ \theta_{\alpha} \in H^{\infty} : \alpha < \gamma \}$$

be a family of inner functions. Then  $\Theta$  is called a model function if  $\theta_{\alpha}|\theta_{\beta}$  whenever  $\operatorname{card}(\beta) \leq \operatorname{card}(\alpha) < \gamma$ . The Jordan operator  $S(\Theta)$  determined by the model function  $\Theta$  is the  $C_0$  operator defined as

$$S(\Theta) = \bigoplus_{\alpha < \gamma'} S(\theta_{\alpha})$$

where  $\gamma' = \min\{\beta : \theta_{\beta} \equiv 1\}.$ 

We will call  $S(\Theta)$  the Jordan model of the operator T if

$$S(\Theta) \sim T$$

and in the sequel  $\bigoplus_{i<\gamma'} S(\theta_i)$  always means a *Jordan operator* determined by a model function.

By using Jordan blocks,  $C_0$ -operators relative to the open unit disk **D** can be classified ([1] Theorem 5.1):

**Theorem 1.6.** Any  $C_0$ -operator T relative to the open unit disk D acting on a Hilbert space is quasisimilar to a unique Jordan operator.

**Theorem 1.7.** If  $\Theta$  and  $\Theta'$  are two model functions and  $S(\Theta) \prec S(\Theta')$ , then  $\Theta \equiv \Theta'$  and hence  $S(\Theta) = S(\Theta')$ .

From Theorem 1.6 and Theorem 1.7, we can conclude that " $\prec$ " is an equivalence relation on the set of  $C_0$ -operators.

#### 2. Lattice of subspaces

2.1. **Modular Lattice.** Let H be a Hilbert space. If  $F_i (i \in I)$  is a subset of H, then the closed linear span of  $\bigcup_i F_i$  will be denoted by  $\bigvee_i F_i$ . The collection of all subspaces of a Hilbert space is a *lattice*. This means that the collection is partially ordered (by inclusion), and that any two elements  $\mathbf{M}$  and  $\mathbf{N}$  of it have a least

upper bound or supremum (namely the span  $\mathbf{M} \vee \mathbf{N}$ ) and a greatest lower bound or infimum (namely the intersection  $\mathbf{M} \cap \mathbf{N}$ ). A lattice is called *distributive* if

(2.1) 
$$\mathbf{L} \cap (\mathbf{M} \vee \mathbf{N}) = (\mathbf{L} \cap \mathbf{M}) \vee (\mathbf{L} \cap \mathbf{N})$$

for any element L, M, and N in the lattice.

In the equation (2.1), if  $\mathbf{N} \subset \mathbf{L}$ , then  $\mathbf{L} \cap \mathbf{N} = \mathbf{N}$ , and so the identity becomes

(2.2) 
$$\mathbf{L} \cap (\mathbf{M} \vee \mathbf{N}) = (\mathbf{L} \cap \mathbf{M}) \vee \mathbf{N}$$

If the identity (2.2) is satisfied whenever  $\mathbf{N} \subset \mathbf{L}$ , then the lattice is called *modular*.

For an arbitrary operator  $T \in L(H)$ , Lat(T) denotes the collection of all closed invariant subspaces for T. The following fact is well-known [3].

**Proposition 2.1.** The lattice of subspaces of a Hilbert space H is modular if and only if dim H is finite.

We will think about Lat(T) for a  $C_0$ -operator T.

**Definition 2.2.** The cyclic multiplicity  $\mu_T$  of an operator  $T \in L(H)$  is the smallest cardinal of a subset  $A \subset H$  with the property that  $\bigvee_{n=0}^{\infty} T^n A = H$ . The operator T is said to be multiplicity-free if  $\mu_T = 1$ .

Thus  $\mu_T$  is the smallest number of cyclic subspaces for T that are needed to generate H, and T is multiplicity-free if and only if it has a cyclic vector.

2.2. **Property** (P). Let H be a Hilbert space and for an operator  $T \in L(H)$ ,  $T^*$  denote the adjoint of T. It is well known that H is finite-dimensional if and only if every operator  $X \in L(H)$ , with the property  $\ker(X) = \{0\}$ , also satisfies  $\ker(X^*) = \{0\}$ . The following definition is a natural extension of finite dimensionality.

**Definition 2.3.** An operator  $T \in L(H)$  is said to have property (P) if every operator  $X \in \{T\}'$  with the property that  $\ker(X) = \{0\}$  is a quasiaffinity, i.e.,  $\ker(X^*) = \ker(X) = \{0\}$ .

From the fact that the commutant  $\{0\}'$  of zero operator on H coincides with L(H), we can see that H is finite-dimensional if and only if the zero operator on H has property (P).

Let  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  be operators in L(H). Suppose that

$$X \in \{A \in L(H) : AT_1 = T_2A\}.$$

If M is in  $Lat(T_1)$ , then  $(XM)^-$  is in  $Lat(T_2)$ . By using these facts, we define a function  $X_*$  from  $Lat(T_1)$  to  $Lat(T_2)$  as following:

$$(2.3) X_*(M) = (XM)^-.$$

The operator X is said to be a  $(T_1, T_2)$ -lattice-isomorphism if  $X_*$  is a bijection of  $Lat(T_1)$  onto  $Lat(T_2)$ . We will use the name lattice-isomorphism instead of  $(T_1, T_2)$ -lattice-isomorphism if no confusion may arise.

If  $X \in \{A \in L(H) : AT_1 = T_2A\}$ , then  $X^*T_2^* = T_1^*X^*$ . Thus  $(X^*)_* : \text{Lat}(T_2^*) \to \text{Lat}(T_1^*)$  is well-defined by

$$(X^*)_*(M') = (X^*M')^-.$$

**Proposition 2.4.** [1] (Theorem 7.1.9) Suppose that  $T \in L(H)$  is an operator of class  $C_0$  with Jordan model  $\bigoplus_{\alpha} S(\theta_{\alpha})$ . Then T has property (P) if and only if

$$\bigwedge_{i<\omega}\theta_j\equiv 1.$$

Thus, if T has property (P), then H is separable and  $T^*$  also has property (P).

**Proposition 2.5.** [1] An operator T of class  $C_0$  fails to have property (P) if and only if T is quasisimilar to T|N, where N is a proper invariant subspace for T.

**Proposition 2.6.** [1](Lemma 7.1.20) Assume that  $T_1 \in L(H_1)$  and  $T_2 \in L(H_2)$  are two operators, and  $X \in \{A \in L(H_1, H_2) : AT_1 = T_2A\}$ . If the mapping  $X_*$  is onto Lat( $T_2$ ) if and only if  $(X^*)_*$  is one-to-one on Lat( $T_2^*$ ).

Corollary 2.7. Assume that  $T_1 \in L(H_1)$  and  $T_2 \in L(H_2)$  are two operators, and  $X \in \{A \in L(H_1, H_2) : AT_1 = T_2A\}$ . The mapping  $X_*$  is one-to-one on  $Lat(T_1)$  if and only if  $(X^*)_*$  is onto  $Lat(T_1^*)$ .

*Proof.* Since  $XT_1 = T_2X$ ,  $T_1^*X^* = X^*T_2^*$ . By Proposition 2.6,  $(X^*)_*$  is onto  $Lat(T_1^*)$  if and only if  $(X^{**})_* = X_*$  is one-to-one on  $Lat(T_1)$ .

From Proposition 2.6 and Corollary 2.7, we obtain the following result.

**Corollary 2.8.** If  $T_1 \in L(H_1)$  and  $T_2 \in L(H_2)$  are two operators, and  $X \in \{A \in L(H_1, H_2) : AT_1 = T_2A\}$ , then X is a lattice-isomorphism if and only if  $X^*$  is a lattice-isomorphism.

**Proposition 2.9.** [1] (Proposition 7.1.21) Assume that  $T_1 \in L(H_1)$  and  $T_2 \in L(H_2)$  are two quasisimilar operators of class  $C_0$ , and  $X \in \{A \in L(H_1, H_2) : AT_1 = T_2A\}$  is an injection. If  $T_1$  has property (P), then X is a lattice-isomorphism.

Recall that if T is an operator on a Hilbert space, then ker  $T = (\operatorname{ran} T^*)^{\perp}$  and ker  $T^* = (\operatorname{ran} T)^{\perp}$ .

**Corollary 2.10.** Assume that  $T_1 \in L(H_1)$  and  $T_2 \in L(H_2)$  are two quasisimilar operators of class  $C_0$ , and  $X \in \{A \in L(H_1, H_2) : AT_1 = T_2A\}$  has dense range. If  $T_2$  has property (P), then X is a lattice-isomorphism.

*Proof.* Since  $XT_1 = T_2X$ ,  $T_1^*X^* = X^*T_2^*$ . Let  $Y = X^*$  and so

$$(2.4) YT_2^* = T_1^*Y.$$

From the fact that  $\ker Y = \ker(X^*) = (\operatorname{ran} X)^{\perp} = \{0\}$ , we conclude that Y is injective. Since  $T_2$  has property (P), so does  $T_2^*$  by Proposition 2.4. By Proposition 2.9 and equation (2.4),  $Y = X^*$  ia a lattice-isomorphism. From Corollary 2.8, it is proven that X is a lattice-isomorphism.

**Corollary 2.11.** Suppose that  $T_i \in L(H_i)(i = 1, 2)$  is a  $C_0$ -operator and  $T_1$  has property (P). If  $X \in \{A \in L(H_1, H_2) : AT_1 = T_2A\}$  and X is an injection, then X is a lattice-isomorphism.

*Proof.* Define  $Y: H_1 \to (XH_1)^-$  by

$$Yh = Xh$$
 for any  $h \in H_1$ .

Since X is an injection, so is Y. Clearly, Y has dense range. Note that  $(XH_1)^-$  is invariant for  $T_2$ . By definition of Y,

$$(2.5) YT_1 = (T_2|(XH_1)^-)Y.$$

It follows that  $T_1 \prec (T_2|(XH_1)^-)$  and so  $T_1 \sim (T_2|(XH_1)^-)$ . By Proposition 2.9, it is proven.

Corollary 2.12. Suppose that  $T_i \in L(H_i)(i = 1, 2)$  is a  $C_0$ -operator and  $T_2$  has property (P). If  $X \in \{A \in L(H_1, H_2) : AT_1 = T_2A\}$  and X has a dense range, then X is a lattice-isomorphism.

*Proof.* By assumption,  $X^*T_2^* = T_1^*X^*$ . Since  $T_2$  has property (P), by Proposition 2.4, so does  $T_2^*$ .

Because X has dense range,  $X^*: H_2 \to H_1$  is an injection. By Corollary 2.11,  $X^*$  is a lattice isomorphism. From Corollary 2.8, X is also a lattice isomorphism.  $\square$ 

2.3. Quasi-Affinity and Modular Lattice. For operators  $T_1 \in L(H_1)$  and  $T_2 \in L(H_2)$ , if  $Y \in \{B \in L(H_1, H_2) : BT_1 = T_2B\}$ , then we define a function

$$Y_*: \mathtt{Lat}(T_1) o \mathtt{Lat}(T_2)$$

the same way as equation (2.3). For any  $N \in \text{Lat}(T_2)$ , if  $M = Y^{-1}(N)$ , then  $YT_1(M) = T_2Y(M) \subset T_2N \subset N$  and so  $T_1(M) \subset M$ . It follows that

$$M=Y^{-1}(N)\in \mathrm{Lat}(T_1)$$

for any  $N \in \text{Lat}(T_2)$ . If Y is invertible, that is,  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are similar, and  $\text{Lat}(T_1)$  is modular, then clearly,  $\text{Lat}(T_2)$  is also modular. In this section, we consider when  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are quasi-similar instead of similar, and find an assumption in Theorem 2.14 such that  $\text{Lat}(T_2)$  is modular, whenever  $\text{Lat}(T_1)$  is modular.

**Proposition 2.13.** Let  $T_1 \in L(H_1)$  and  $T_2 \in L(H_2)$ . Suppose that  $Y \in \{B \in L(H_1, H_2) : BT_1 = T_2B\}$  and for any  $N \in Lat(T_2)$ , the condition  $M = Y^{-1}(N)$  implies that  $Y_*(M) = N$ .

Then for any 
$$M_i = Y^{-1}(N_i)$$
 with  $N_i \in Lat(T_2)$   $(i = 1, 2)$ ,

$$Y_*(M_1 \cap M_2) = Y_*(M_1) \cap Y_*(M_2).$$

*Proof.* Assume that  $N_i \in \text{Lat}(T_2)$  and  $M_i = Y^{-1}(N_i)$  for i = 1, 2. Then by assumption, we obtain

$$(2.6) Y_*(M_i) = N_i.$$

Since  $Y^{-1}(N_1 \cap N_2) = Y^{-1}(N_1) \cap Y^{-1}(N_2) = M_1 \cap M_2$ , by assumption,

$$Y_*(M_1 \cap M_2) = N_1 \cap N_2$$

which proves that  $Y_*(M_1 \cap M_2) = Y_*(M_1) \cap Y_*(M_2)$  by equation (2.6).

**Theorem 2.14.** Let  $T_1 \in L(H_1)$  be a quasiaffine transform of  $T_2 \in L(H_2)$  and  $Y \in \{B \in L(H_1, H_2) : BT_1 = T_2B\}$  be a quasiaffinity.

If  $Y_* : Lat(T_1) \to Lat(T_2)$  is onto and  $Lat(T_1)$  is modular, then  $Lat(T_2)$  is also modular.

*Proof.* Suppose that  $Lat(T_2)$  is not modular. Then there are invariant subspaces  $N_i(i=1,2,3)$  for  $T_2$  such that

$$(2.7) N_3 \subset N_1,$$

and

$$(N_1 \cap N_2) \vee N_3 \neq N_1 \cap (N_2 \vee N_3).$$

Let

$$(2.8) M_i = Y^{-1}(N_i),$$

for i = 1, 2, 3. Since  $YT_1 = T_2Y$ , definition (2.8) of  $M_i$  implies that for i = 1, 2, 3,

$$YT_1(M_i) = T_2Y(M_i) \subset T_2N_i \subset N_i$$
.

It follows that  $T_1M_i \subset Y^{-1}(N_i) = M_i$  for i = 1, 2, 3. Thus  $M_i$  is a closed invariant subspace for  $T_1$ . Condition (2.7) implies that

$$M_3 \subset M_1$$
.

Since  $Y(M_i) \subset N_i$ , for i = 1, 2, 3,

$$(2.9) Y_*(M_i) = (Y(M_i))^- \subset N_i.$$

Since  $Y_*$  is onto, there is a function  $\phi : \mathtt{Lat}(T_2) \to \mathtt{Lat}(T_1)$  such that  $Y_* \circ \phi$  is the identity mapping on  $\mathtt{Lat}(T_2)$ . Hence for i = 1, 2, 3,

$$Y_*(\phi(N_i)) = Y(\phi(N_i))^- = N_i.$$

It follows that for i = 1, 2, 3,

$$\phi(N_i) \subset M_i.$$

Since  $Y_* \circ \phi$  is the identity mapping on Lat $(T_2)$ , (2.10) implies that for i = 1, 2, 3, 3

$$(2.11) N_i = Y_*(\phi(N_i)) \subset Y_*(M_i).$$

By (2.9) and (2.11), we get

$$(2.12) Y_*(M_i) = N_i,$$

for i = 1, 2, 3. Hence we can easily see that function Y satisfies the assumptions of Proposition 2.13.

Thus by Proposition 2.13 and equation (2.12),

$$(2.13) Y_*[M_1 \cap (M_2 \vee M_3)] = Y_*(M_1) \cap Y_*(M_2 \vee M_3) = N_1 \cap (N_2 \vee N_3).$$

Since  $M_1 \cap M_2 = Y^{-1}(N_1) \cap Y^{-1}(N_2) = Y^{-1}(N_1 \cap N_2)$ , by the same way as above, we obtain

$$(2.14) Y_*(M_1 \cap M_2) = N_1 \cap N_2.$$

By equations (2.12) and (2.14), we obtain

$$(2.15) Y_*[(M_1 \cap M_2) \vee M_3] = (N_1 \cap N_2) \vee N_3.$$

Since  $(N_1 \cap N_2) \vee N_3 \neq N_1 \cap (N_2 \vee N_3)$ , from equations (2.13) and (2.15), we can conclude that

$$(M_1 \cap M_2) \vee M_3 \neq M_1 \cap (M_2 \vee M_3).$$

Therefore  $Lat(T_1)$  is not modular.

# 3. Modular Lattice for $C_0$ -Operators with Property (P)

We provide some operators, say T, of class  $C_0$  such that Lat(T) is modular.

**Proposition 3.1.** [1] Let  $\theta$  be a nonconstant inner function in  $H^{\infty}$ . Then every invariant subspace M of  $S(\theta)$  has the form

$$\phi H^2 \ominus \theta H^2$$

for some inner devisor  $\phi$  of  $\theta$ .

We can easily check that if  $\mathbf{M}_1 = \theta_1 H^2 \ominus \theta H^2$  and  $\mathbf{M}_2 = \theta_2 H^2 \ominus \theta H^2$  where  $\theta_i$  (i = 1, 2) is an inner inner devisor of  $\theta$ , then

(3.1) 
$$\mathbf{M}_1 \cap \mathbf{M}_2 = (\theta_1 \vee \theta_2)H^2 \ominus \theta H^2$$

and

(3.2) 
$$\mathbf{M}_1 \vee \mathbf{M}_2 = (\theta_1 \wedge \theta_2)H^2 \ominus \theta H^2$$

where  $\theta_1 \wedge \theta_2$  and  $\theta_1 \vee \theta_2$  denote the greatest common inner divisor and least common inner multiple of  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$ , respectively. Note that if  $\mathbf{M}_1 \subset \mathbf{M}_2$ , then

**Lemma 3.2.** If  $\theta$  is an inner function in  $H^{\infty}$ , then  $Lat(S(\theta))$  is distributive.

*Proof.* Let  $\mathbf{M}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{M}_2$ , and  $\mathbf{M}_3$  be invariant subspaces for  $S(\theta)$ . Then by Proposition 3.1, there are nonconstant inner functions  $\theta_1$ ,  $\theta_2$ , and  $\theta_3$  in  $H^{\infty}$  such that

$$\mathbf{M}_i = \theta_i H^2 \ominus \theta H^2 \text{ for } i = 1, 2, 3.$$

From equations (3.1) and (3.2), we obtain that

(3.4) 
$$\mathbf{M}_1 \cap (\mathbf{M}_2 \vee \mathbf{M}_3) = (\theta_1 \vee (\theta_2 \wedge \theta_3))H^2 \ominus \theta H^2,$$

and

$$(3.5) (\mathbf{M}_1 \cap \mathbf{M}_2) \vee (\mathbf{M}_1 \cap \mathbf{M}_3) = ((\theta_1 \vee \theta_2) \wedge (\theta_1 \vee \theta_3) H^2 \ominus \theta H^2.$$

Since  $\theta_1 \vee (\theta_2 \wedge \theta_3) = (\theta_1 \vee \theta_2) \wedge (\theta_1 \vee \theta_3)$ , by equations (3.4) and (3.5), this lemma is proven.

In this section, we will consider a sufficient condition for Lat(T) of a  $C_0$ -operator T to be modular.

**Proposition 3.3.** [1] (Proposition 2.4.3) Let  $T \in L(H)$  be a completely nonunitary contraction, and M be an invariant subspace for T. If

$$(3.6) T = \begin{pmatrix} T_1 & X \\ 0 & T_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

is the triangularization of T with respect to the decomposition  $H = M \oplus (H \ominus M)$ , then T is of class  $C_0$  if and only if  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are operators of class  $C_0$ .

**Proposition 3.4.** [1] (Corollary 7.1.17) Let  $T \in L(H)$  is an operator of class  $C_0$ , M be an invariant subspace for T, and

$$(3.7) T = \begin{pmatrix} T_1 & X \\ 0 & T_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

be the triangularization of T with respect to the decomposition  $H = M \oplus (H \ominus M)$ . Then T has property (P) if and only if  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  have property (P).

Let H and K be Hilbert spaces and  $H \oplus K$  denote the algebraic direct sum. Recall that  $H \oplus K$  is also a Hilbert space with an inner product

$$(\langle h_1, k_1 \rangle, \langle h_2, k_2 \rangle) = (h_1, h_2) + (k_1, k_2)$$

**Theorem 3.5.** Let  $T \in L(H)$  be an operator of class  $C_0$  with property (P). Then Lat(T) is a modular lattice.

*Proof.* Suppose that T has property (P) and let  $M_i$  (i = 1, 2, 3) be an invariant subspace for T such that  $M_3 \subset M_1$ . Then evidently,

$$(3.8) (M_1 \cap M_2) \vee M_3 \subset M_1 \cap (M_2 \vee M_3).$$

Let  $T_i=T|M_i$  (i=1,2,3). Define a linear transformation  $X:M_2\oplus M_3\to M_2\vee M_3$  by

$$X(a_2 \oplus a_3) = a_2 + a_3$$

for  $a_2 \in M_2$  and  $a_3 \in M_3$ .

Then for  $a_2 \oplus a_3 \in M_2 \oplus M_3$  with  $||a_2 \oplus a_3|| \le 1$ ,  $||X(a_2 \oplus a_3)|| = ||a_2 + a_3|| \le ||a_2|| + ||a_3|| \le 2$ . It follows that  $||X|| \le 2$  and so X is bounded.

Since  $M_2 \vee M_3$  is generated by  $\{a_2 + a_3 : a_2 \in M_2 \text{ and } a_3 \in M_3\}$ , X has dense range. By definition of  $T_i$  (i = 1, 2, 3),

$$X(T_2 \oplus T_3)(a_2 \oplus a_3) = Ta_2 + Ta_3$$

and

$$(T|M_2 \vee M_3)X(a_2 \oplus a_3) = Ta_2 + Ta_3.$$

Thus

$$X(T_2 \oplus T_3) = (T|M_2 \vee M_3)X.$$

By Proposition 3.3,  $T_2 \oplus T_3$  and  $T|M_2 \vee M_3$  are of class  $C_0$  and since T has property (P), by Proposition 3.4, we conclude that  $T|M_2 \vee M_3$  also has Property (P). By Corollary 2.12, X is a lattice-isomorphism.

Thus  $X_* : \text{Lat}(T_2 \oplus T_3) \to \text{Lat}(T|M_2 \vee M_3)$  is onto. Let

$$(3.9) M = \{a_2 \oplus a_3 \in M_2 \oplus M_3 : a_2 + a_3 \in M_1\}.$$

Since  $M = X^{-1}(M_1)$ , M is a closed subspace of  $M_2 \oplus M_3$ . Evidently, M is invariant for  $T_2 \oplus T_3$ . From the equation (3.9), we conclude that

$$(3.10) M = (M_1 \cap M_2) \oplus M_3.$$

Since  $X^{-1}(M_1 \cap (M_2 \vee M_3)) = \{a_2 \oplus a_3 \in M_2 \oplus M_3 : a_2 + a_3 \in M_1 \cap (M_2 \vee M_3)\} = \{a_2 \oplus a_3 \in M_2 \oplus M_3 : a_2 + a_3 \in M_1\},$ 

$$X^{-1}(M_1 \cap (M_2 \vee M_3)) = M$$

Since X is a lattice-isomorphism,

$$(3.11) X_*M = (XM)^- = M_1 \cap (M_2 \vee M_3).$$

By equation (3.10) and definition of X,

$$(3.12) X_*M = (XM)^- \subset (M_1 \cap M_2) \vee M_3.$$

From (3.11) and (3.12), we conclude that

$$(3.13) M_1 \cap (M_2 \vee M_3) \subset (M_1 \cap M_2) \vee M_3.$$

Thus if T has property (P), then by (3.8) and (3.13), we obtain that

$$M_1\cap (M_2\vee M_3)=(M_1\cap M_2)\vee M_3.$$

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